



St. Michael's Parish Pastoral Council
January 19, 2008
10:30 a.m.
St. Michael's Church Basement

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance:

Fr. Mike, Tess McConnell, Richard Yoner, Craig & Corinne Keller, Linda Langlois, Corinne Turgeon, Don & Sharon Marchand, Chuck O'Neill, Karen Richert, Joanne Klone, Myra Fraser

Also in attendance: Leona Fix, Mary Ryan, Linda Wan, Dennis Ference

1. **Call to order**
Don Marchand called to order the meeting of **St. Michael's Parish Pastoral Council** at **10:38 am** on **January 19, 2008** in the church basement.
2. **Meeting commenced with** Sharon Marchand leading us in prayer.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – Don Marchand accepted the agenda with additions.
4. **Approval of November 3, 2007 minutes** – Don Marchand accepted the minutes as circulated.
5. **Business arising from November 3, 2007 minutes**
 - 5.1 **Parish Council Walk-about on November 12th** – Don Marchand opened with how the walk-about came about; Our Church is an asset that should not be left to fade and the goal was to find ways we could enhance its beauty and bring out a sense of “awe” to those visiting our parish. The general appearance of the church was raised and a report was compiled from that walk-about of suggestions that need to be addressed by the whole of parish council, no actions were going to take place other than a cleanup until parish council was able to see the report. Much has been rumoured since then and a round table discussion took place with the opportunity for everyone to make comments.
 - 5.2 **Add “nursing” as a ministry** – Tabled until next meeting.
 - 5.3 **Combine greeters & hospitality ministries** – Tabled until next meeting.
 - 5.4 **Youth Ministry** - Tabled until next meeting.
6. **New Business**
 - 6.1 **Devine Mercy Canvas** – Linda Langlois reported on behalf of Gus & Adele Bendoritis who would like the parish to purchase a 27x48” canvas of the Devine

Mercy and have it on display from the balcony on the north side of the entrance. Linda will contact Laurie Smith from art & environment to see if it will conflict with decorating and the topic is tabled until next meeting and we are asked to give it some thought.

6.2 Circulation of PPC Minutes – Tabled until next meeting.

6.3 Parenting Workshop – Joanne Klone presented information on a workshop for parents and grandparents who wish to understand their children's true needs better, learn to deal with difficulties and improve their relationship. The workshop is presented by the Society for Personal Growth and is being hosted here at St. Michael's on Feb 1-3rd. Joanne asked if St. Michael's could provide the lunch on the Saturday in order to keep the costs low for the 12 to 18 participants that will attend this workshop and to allow the participants to remain as a group during lunch. Mary Ryan has kindly volunteered to make the lunch.

6.4 Fr. Mike – will find out this Tuesday the results from tests he's had done on his neck and back and whether his condition is treatable or not. Please keep him in your prayers and more information will follow.

6.5 Catholic Conference – Karen Richert promoted the 2008 Catholic Conference put on by the Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association and Alberta Bishops that is coming up on March 7&8th. There is a Youth Event on the Friday and if we could encourage the youth in our parish to attend this Catholic event.

7. Committee Reports All reports tabled until next meeting.

7.1 Pastoral Care –

7.2 K of C Report –

7.3 Cemetery –

7.4 St. Vincent de Paul –

7.5 Liturgy Committee –

7.6 APC Meeting -

Closing prayer by Craig Keller.

Next meeting Saturday, February 9, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the church basement.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.